



Tanbark, Compost Orders Being Accepted

The Township is now accepting orders for tanbark and compost on a first-come, first-served basis, with delivery scheduled to begin on April 5.

The delivery charge is \$75 for any amount between one and eight cubic yards. Quantities are limited.

The delivered tanbark or compost will be placed only on the driveway of the property.

Both tanbark and compost will still be available, free of charge, at the Yard Waste Facility at the Public Works Facility, which is accessible from Technology Parkway in the Cumberland Technology Park. Directions to the Yard Waste Facility are available on the Township website, www.hampdentownship.us.

Residents who want the delivery service must com-

plete a release agreement and make payment at the Township Building. Visa and MasterCard can be used for payment. The agreement form is available at the Township Building or on the Township website under "on-line forms."

The compost or tanbark will be delivered as soon as possible after payment, but no sooner than April 5.

The Township also said it will continue to issue permits to commercial landscapers for unlimited drop-off at the Yard Waste Facility even if the yard waste is not generated in the Township. The annual permit fee is \$200.

Landscapers who perform work for residents and wish to use the facility must have a permit. An application must be completed and payment made before the yard waste can be dropped off.

NEW COMMISSIONER APPOINTED TO BOARD



Nathan P. Silcox, a member of the Township Planning Commission, has been appointed by the Township Board of Commissioners to fill the unexpired term of Melvyn C. Finkelstein, who died in December. He will serve until the first Monday in January, 2012.

Silcox, a unanimous selection after an interview process, was chosen from 12 applicants, "all of whom," the Board said, "have excellent credentials and public service experience...making the selection very difficult."

Silcox is a graduate of Cumberland Valley High School, Lock Haven University and has a Masters in Public Administration from Penn State. He is employed as a Legislative Specialist/Floor Assistant to State Senate Majority Whip Jane C. Orié. He is the past Executive Director of the Senate Local Government Committee and served in the Department of Education.

Silcox lives in the Township with his wife, Kathryn, and children, Kaitlyn and Nicholas.

◀ **NATHAN P. SILCOX**, the Township's newly appointed Commissioner, takes the oath of office from Cumberland County Judge **J. Wesley Oler, Jr.**

Bienstock Elected President, Thomas Vice President

The Board of Commissioners elected Al Bienstock President and John V. Thomas Vice President at its annual reorganization meeting. Commissioner Donald R. McCallin was elected Assistant Secretary.

Commissioner Bienstock succeeds Melvyn C. Finkelstein, who died in December. Finkelstein had headed the Board for the past 18 years.

The Board also appointed Commissioner Ken Fetrow to the Civil Service Commission.

Other appointments and reappointments approved by the Board:

- ◆ Michael H. Gossert, Township Manager/Secretary
- ◆ Keith O. Brenneman, Township Solicitor
- ◆ Robert H. Long, Jr., Township Bond Counsel
- ◆ Jerry Ozog, alternate to the Civil Service Commission
- ◆ Robert Conrad, Lee Esser, Dale Ault, Roger Lose and Claudia Williams, Golf Advisory Board, terms ending Dec. 31.
- ◆ Michael J. Kane, Zoning Hearing Board, term ending Dec. 31, 2014
- ◆ Henry F. McKonly, Jr., Vacancy Board, term ending Dec. 31
- ◆ David Young, Industrial Development Authority, term ending Dec. 31, 2014
- ◆ Todd A. Milano, Township representative to the Fredricksen Library, term ending Dec. 31.
- ◆ Cathy DePoi, Township representative to the Mechanicsburg Senior Adult Center, term ending Dec. 31.

Yard Waste Facility

The Yard Waste Facility is open from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the first and third Saturdays of each month from April until the first weekend in January. Curbside collection of bundled yard waste begins March 1.

Additional information on the facility is available on the Township's website, www.hampdentownship.us

Find Your Name

The name of a Township resident, selected randomly from computer account records, is "hidden" out of context somewhere in this newsletter. Find your name and we will treat you to a gift certificate to the Caddy Shack Restaurant or, if you are a golfer, a free round of golf at the resident rate at Armitage (cart excluded; also, must have resident ID). If you find your name, claim the reward by calling the Township office at 761-0119 by March 15.

In Memoriam

1938-2009



Township Commissioners, staff and residents mourned the death at the end of 2009 of Commissioner Melvyn C. Finkelstein, who passed away on Dec. 28 after a long illness.

Commissioner Finkelstein was 71 and was the longest serving Commissioner in Township history. He was elected to the first of eight terms in 1977, serving for 33 years, 18 years as Board President. He was

the Board's liaison with the Township Police Department for his entire career as a Commissioner and was instrumental in the growth and improvement of services to residents of Hampden, the largest municipality in Cumberland County.

For the last 29 years of his political career, the Township never raised the real estate tax.

Commissioner Finkelstein was an auditor for Aetna Travelers Property and Casualty Insurance for 30 years before his retirement. His survivors include his wife, Jane, and four children.

Dog, Cat Warning Issued

Township officials are reminding residents to keep their pets leashed, to clean up after them if they are off their private property and to prevent them from making noise that disturbs other residents.

Residents are also asked to refrain from leaving food outside for animals, as this practice can attract unwanted animals, such as feral cats, skunks, possums, etc.

Township regulations require that unleashed dogs and cats must not stray off their owner's property, run at large in the Township or defile another person's property.

Violation of the regulation may carry a fine of up to \$600 plus costs.

Tax Rebate for Elderly

The State Department of Revenue's 2009 Property Tax Rebate program is for property owners, who meet certain income levels and are 65 years old and over, for widows and widowers 50 and over and for individuals with disabilities who are at least 18 years old.

For more information, to obtain forms or to determine whether you qualify, call the Department of Revenue at 1-888-222-9190. For assistance in completing the form, contact Senator Pat Vance's office at 975-1985.

To apply for a rebate, applicants must provide a receipted copy of their property taxes paid during the calendar year. Individuals can get a receipt when they pay their taxes or by calling the Township Tax Collector, Michael Langan, at 737-4822.

Township Creates New Department

The Township's move this year to streamline its organizational structure to ensure a more efficient work force has resulted in three new divisions and the disbanding of one department.

The creation of the Public Works Department, announced late last year and headed by Steven S. Campbell, oversees the Wastewater, Fleet and Maintenance Division, including highway, golf and recreation.

The new Department of Community Development, headed by Darrell McMillan, absorbs the responsibilities of the former Engineering Department, which has been abolished, and the operations of the former Building Department, which McMillan supervised.

McMillan said the Department of Community Development now will handle the land development review process, review construction permit documents, conduct construction inspections, prepare Planning Commission agendas, conduct main-line sanitary sewer inspections and handle matters that come before the Plan Review Board and the Zoning Hearing Board.

Glenn McGatz, who directed the Engineering Department, is now Superintendent of the Maintenance Division of the Public Works Department.

Holiday Trash Collection

Trash and recyclables will be collected on the normal schedule on Good Friday, April 2.

Residents are asked to place trash in weatherproof containers **on or behind the curb** before 6:30 a.m. the day of their trash collection, but no earlier than 6 p.m. the night before, to ensure it will be picked up.

Recyclables are to be placed in containers provided by the Township. **The first container will be provided to new residents, free of charge. Replacement containers will be provided for \$10 per container. Containers should not be placed on a roadway.**

Dog Licenses on Sale

Cumberland County dog licenses for 2010 are available for sale at the Township Municipal Building on Sporting Hill Road.

The regular license fee for a male or female dog is \$8. The fee for a neutered male dog or a spayed female dog is \$6. There is a discount for residents 65 years old and over or persons with disabilities. A life-time dog license may only be purchased directly from Cumberland County. The fee is \$51, or \$31 for a spayed or neutered dog.

Residents are reminded that a Township ordinance prohibits your pet from desecrating any sidewalk, walkway or property of another person. Dogs must be under the control of owners at all times, and owners must clean up all animal waste.

Dunlevy Named Firefighter of Year

W.G. Dunlevy, a member of the Township Volunteer Fire Company for almost 40 years, has been named 2009 Firefighter of the Year by the Township Board of Commissioners.

Dunlevy joined the Company in 1971 and became a Fire Police Officer in 1979. He also was Fire Police Captain the same year and held the administrative positions of Vice President and Financial Secretary.

He is currently a trustee of the Fire Company, has been a member of the House Committee for 38 years and is the Fire Company's historian.

His wife, Wendy, is a Township employee.



Armitage Golf Club

(RESIDENT ID CARD REQUIRED TO RECEIVE RATES LISTED BELOW)

MARCH

Weekdays: Walking — \$13 • Riding — \$18
9 Holes Walking — \$10 • 9 Holes Riding — \$15
Saturday/Sunday: Walking — \$16 • Riding — \$20
9 Holes Walking — \$10 • 9 Holes Riding — \$15

APRIL-OCTOBER

Weekdays: Play/Ride — \$25 • Walkers — \$16
Sr. Play/Ride — \$19 • Sr. Walkers — \$12
Weekends/Holidays: Play/Ride — \$35
Walkers — \$25

**GOLF COURSE/
PRO SHOP HOURS:**
7 a.m. Weekdays
6 a.m. Weekends

**BOOK YOUR GROUP
OR BUSINESS OUTING NOW!
JUST CALL 737-5344**



Also, you can reserve a tee time by calling 737-5344 or Book online at www.armitagegolfclub.com

Youth/Teen Programs

Pony Riding Mini-Camp 🐾

Children, ages 2 to 12, can enjoy riding ponies, learning how to care for them and many other fun activities. The camp will be held from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Sundays, March 14 (Code 8675) and March 21 (Code 8676) at the Total Equine Learning Center at Copper Penny Farms. The center has an indoor and outdoor riding ring. The cost is \$35. Residents receive a \$5 discount.

Judo 🐾

The course, taught by the Harrisburg Judo Club, is for children ages 9 to 16, of all levels of ability. It will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, March 17 to May 5 in the Recreation Building Activity Room. The cost is \$45. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8167)

Candy Making

Grab your apron and come join the fun. Each class in this new program teaches a different candy making idea so you'll walk away with plenty of gift giving ideas. The registration cost includes all supplies. Ages 18 and older. The cost is \$20. Residents receive a \$2 discount. Here's the schedule:

Molded Lollipops & Designer Chocolates – Perfect for Easter. The class will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on March 3 in the Recreation Building Community Room. (Code 8740)

Create Flavored Bon Bons – Mother's Day ideas. The class will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on April 9 in the Emergency Service Building Training Room. (Code 8741)

Daytime KinderGym 🐾

This is a developmental floor gymnastics program for children 3 to 5 years old, with emphasis on social and gross motor development, physical fitness and movement education while learning numbers, colors, shapes and words. It will be held from 12:35 to 1:20 p.m. on Mondays, March 22 to April 26, at the Emergency Services Building. The cost is \$62. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8003)

Horseback Riding Clinic 🐾

This six-week daytime clinic will include the care and feeding of horses, grooming, tacking up and English and Western riding. The small group classes are for ages 7 to 16 and will be held from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Saturdays from March 13 to April 17 at the Total Equine Learning Center at Copper Penny Farms. The cost is \$250. Residents receive a \$10 discount. (Code 8674)

Adults

Babies and Barbells 🐾

Here's a chance for you moms to work out and spend time with your little ones (ages 0-2). Class will be taught by a certified personal trainer and will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. on Wednesdays, March 17 to April 21, in the Recreation Building Activity Room. The cost is \$45. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8730)

Self Defense 🐾

This course is for persons at least 13 years old and will show you how to use your center of balance along with gravity to defeat an attacking assailant. The class will meet from 8 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays, March 17 to May 5 (Code 8173) and May 12 to June 3 (Code 8974), in the Recreation Building Activity Room. The cost is \$45. Residents receive a \$5 discount.

Introduction to Garment Sewing 🐾

This class is designed for those who have never sewn or

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Recreation Department's annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at 10 a.m. on March 27 on soccer fields 5 and 6 in Hampden Park. The event is open to Township residents 2 to 8 years old. If it rains, the hunt will be held in the nearby Recreation Building.



need a refresher course. It will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 14, at the Discount Vacuum & Sewing Center. The cost is \$20. Residents receive a \$2 discount. (Code 8885)

Introduction to Quilting 🐾

Program participants will learn about the tools, terms and fabrics that are used in quilting, the fastest growing segment of the sewing industry. The class will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on June 11, at the Discount Vacuum & Sewing Center. The cost is \$20. Residents receive a \$2 discount. (Code 8887)

Ballroom Dance 🐾

Instructors from Ballroom Break will introduce participants to popular social dances. Partners are preferred but not required. Classes will be held from April 13 to May 25 (no class May 18) in the Recreation Building Community Room. The cost is \$70 a person. Residents receive a \$5 discount. The schedule:

Beginner — 8-9 p.m. (Code 8249)

Intermediate — 7-8 p.m. (Code 8250)

Belly Dancing 🐾

This class is for women of all shapes, sizes and ages. Classes will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursdays, April 15 to May 20 at the Good Hope Middle School auditorium stage. The cost is \$45. (Code 8673)

Pilates 🐾

The course will be held from 9 to 9:45 a.m., March 16 to May 28, in the Recreation Building Activity Room. The cost is \$90. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8891)

Aerobic Movement 🐾

A spring session of low-impact aerobic movement will be held from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 20 to July 1 in the Recreation Building Activity Room. The cost is \$75. Residents receive a \$5 discount. (Code 8762)

Zumba Fitness 🐾

Zumba is one of the fastest growing dance-based fitness crazes. It uses easy-to-follow dance movements and incorporates salsa, merengue, cumbia, reggaeton, samba, hip hop and disco into cardio workouts. No dance experience is necessary. Classes will be held from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays, March 9 to April 13 (Code 8160) and from 6 to 7 p.m. on April 20 to May 25 (no class May 18) (Code 8682), in the Recreation Building Community Room. The cost is \$45. Residents receive a \$5 discount.

Community Safety

AARP — Mature Driver Safety Training 🐾

The Recreation Department, in cooperation with AARP, will

RECREATION

conduct an eight-hour driver-retraining course for motorists 50 and over. Drivers who are 55 and over, and who complete the course, may qualify for a five percent discount on auto insurance premiums. There will be no tests. The course will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Recreation Building Community Room. The cost is \$14. AARP members will receive a \$2 discount. The schedule:

March 11 (Thursday) 4 hours (Code 8254)

April 14 and 15 (Wednesday, Thursday) 8 hours (Code 8253)

May 13 (Thursday) 4 hours (Code 8255)

Sports

Adult Golf Clinics

Armitage Golf Club is offering golf clinics for persons at least 18 years old, of all levels of ability. The clinics will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. at the golf course. The cost is \$90. Residents receive a \$5 discount. Clubs will be provided to those who do not own a set. To register, call the Recreation Office. The schedule:

Tuesdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27 (Code 8861)

Wednesdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28 (Code 8862)

Thursdays, April 8, 15, 22, 29 (Code 8863)

Summer Youth Touch Rugby

The Cumberland Valley Youth Rugby Association will sponsor touch rugby for boys and girls 7 to 15 years old this summer. Registration will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on March 20 and 27 in the Emergency Services Building. For more information, visit www.cvra.org where applications are available.

Trips

New York City—Do Your Own Thing – March 20 & April 24

This “do your own thing” trip can be taken on March 20 (Code 8271) or April 24 (Code 8272). The bus will leave at 7 a.m. from the Hampden Pool parking lot and depart from New York at 7 p.m. The cost is \$55 a person, and \$10 is non-refundable. Payment is due in full at the time of registration. Cancellation must be made at least one month before the trip to receive a refund, minus the deposit.

Orioles vs. Red Sox – May 2

The bus will depart the Hampden Pool parking lot at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 2, for Baltimore, where the Orioles will play the Boston Red Sox at 1:35 p.m. The Bus will arrive about 11:30 a.m. at Camden Yards. The cost is \$75 per person. A \$25 non-refundable deposit is due at the time of registration. The balance is due one month before the trip. Cancellation must be made at least one month in advance to receive a refund, minus the deposit. (Code 8918)

Mamma Mia! On Broadway – May 15

Treat yourself and your family to one of Broadway’s most popular musicals. The bus will leave at 7 a.m. for New York City from the Hampden Pool parking lot. You will have some time on your own before and after the show, which begins at 2 p.m. The bus will leave New York at 7 p.m. The cost of the trip is \$125 per person and includes the bus and show tickets. A \$25 non-refundable deposit is due at the time of registration. The balance is due by April 15. Cancellations must be made at least one month in advance to receive a refund minus the deposit. (Code 8920)



TAKING THE OATH OF OFFICE – Cumberland County Judge J. Wesley Oler, Jr. conducted swearing-in ceremonies in January for two newly re-elected Township Commissioners, Ken Fetrow, top photo, and Donald R. McCallin, bottom photo. Both will serve four-year terms.

Armitage Rounds Increase

Despite many lost days because of bad weather, the number of rounds played at Armitage Golf Club last year increased by more than 1,000.

Golf Pro Scott Houseal said 45,678 rounds were played, compared to 44,508 in 2008. Both years were sharply higher than 2007, when 36,325 rounds were recorded.

Armitage, the busiest course in the Harrisburg region, was voted “Simply the Best Public Golf Course” for the seventh straight year in 2009 by readers of Harrisburg Magazine.

The most rounds ever played at Armitage, 56,473, was in 1998, when there were fewer courses in the area.

Golfers can book tee times by calling 737-5344 or by logging on to www.armitagegolfclub.com. Outings can also be booked by calling the same number.

Ladies Golf Meeting

The Armitage Ladies Golf Association will hold its annual league breakfast at 9 a.m. on Friday, March 26, in the Armitage Golf Club meeting room. The ladies golf league plays 9 and 18 holes every Tuesday morning, April through September. More information is available from Sandy Strubel at 763-9375 and Diane Foutres, 697-9202.

COMMISSIONER AL BIENSTOCK presents a special Board of Commissioners resolution to Ada Suchta, commending her for her work in Hampden from September through January as an intern from a Poland University. Ms. Suchta studied local government as part of her master's thesis while at the Township Municipal Building and is scheduled to graduate with a master's degree in June.



TOWNSHIP CALENDAR

■ MARCH

- 2 Board of Commissioners, if needed
- 3 Plan Review Board, 2 p.m.
- 3 Hampden Twp. Volunteer Fire Company, Emergency Services Building
- 10 Sewer Authority
- 11 Planning Commission
- 12 Golf Advisory Board, Caddy Shack Restaurant, 7:30 a.m.
- 16 Industrial Development Authority, 8 a.m., if needed
- 17 Plan Review Board, 2 p.m.
- 17 Zoning Hearing Board
- 31 Plan Review Board, 2 p.m.

■ APRIL

- 1 Board of Commissioners Agenda Meeting
- 6 Board of Commissioners, if needed
- 7 Plan Review Board, 2 p.m.
- 7 Hampden Twp. Volunteer Fire Company, Emergency Services Building
- 8 Planning Commission
- 9 Golf Advisory Board, Caddy Shack Restaurant, 7:30 a.m.
- 14 Sewer Authority
- 20 Industrial Development Authority, 8 a.m., if needed
- 21 Plan Review Board, 2 p.m.
- 21 Zoning Hearing Board
- 29 Board of Commissioners Agenda Meeting

OFFICE CLOSED

April 2 – Good Friday

All meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, unless otherwise noted. The schedule is subject to change.

Note: A two-business day notice is requested for any person with a disability who needs an accommodation to participate in a Township-sponsored program, service or employment procedure. Please call the Township at 761-0119 if an accommodation is needed. To participate in any Recreation Department-sponsored trips, please request an accommodation at the time of registration and no less than 30 days before departure. Call the Recreation Department at 761-4951 if an accommodation is needed. For the hearing impaired, the Township has installed a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD). The TDD phone number is 214-1162.

New Business

The following businesses have opened, relocated or expanded:

- Smiles on Trindle, 5229 E. Trindle Road
- Patriot News, 2020 Technology Parkway
- B&H Islamic Center, 4922 Simpson Ferry Road
- Zentmeyer Paper, 485 Terminal Road
- Brick Kicker Home Inspection Service, 3920 Market St.

Planning/Zoning Issues

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission took the following action at its January meeting:

- Recommended approval of a final subdivision plan (lot consolidation) for Boyer Homestead, three lots on almost two acres at 5300/5304 Hillside Lane, zoned Residential-Suburban.

ZONING HEARING BOARD

The Zoning Hearing Board did not meet in January and February. It took the following action in December:

- Denied a request from HHGREGG Appliances & Electronics for a variance from Township sign requirements for its property in the Hampden Commons shopping center at 5800 Carlisle Pike. The company will open in the former Circuit City store.

Seasonal Job Opportunities

The Township is offering the following Recreation Department job opportunities for the 2010 summer season: lifeguards, pool admission desk staff, playground director, playground staff, summer camp director, summer camp assistant director, summer camp staff, office assistant and bus drivers. The Public Works Department has openings for maintenance and lawn care positions. Interested individuals can call the Recreation Department at 761-4951 or the Public Works Department at 761-0119 for more information.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners took the following actions at recent meetings:

- ♦ Approved the issuance of General Obligation Notes in the amount of \$10 million to continue the upgrading of the Township's sewer system.
- ♦ Announced the awarding of a \$50,000 grant, under the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act, for the upgrading of 43 street lights with energy-efficient LED bulbs.
- ♦ Appointed Neale D. Magill Assistant Maintenance Division Superintendent and Diane Z. Fox Wastewater Division Operations Supervisor.

Tax Collector Hours

Michael Langan, the Township's Treasurer/Tax Collector, has announced the tax office in the Township Building will be open the following hours:

March/April

- ♦ Mondays and Tuesdays 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- ♦ Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.
- ♦ **The office also will be open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 30.**
- ♦ Closed Wednesdays, Fridays (except April 30) and holidays.

Residents will receive County/Township tax bills on or about March 1. If you do not receive the tax bills by March 15 please call Michael Langan's office at 737-4822.

Residents may pay both the real estate and personal tax bills on one check. **If paying by mail and a receipt is desired, Nicholas Butt please include both copies of each bill with the payment, along with a self-addressed stamped envelope.**

- ♦ Appointed Rita R. Finkboner Municipal Services Clerk. Mrs. Finkboner previously was a secretary in the Engineering Department.
- ♦ Acknowledged the retirements of Police Chief Michael A. Andeoli, Criminal Investigator Sidney W. Deyo, Officer Stephen B. Spangler and Corporal Gary M. Bonner from the Township Police Department, Michael G. Quaker from the Wastewater Division of the Public Works Department and Randi L. Spangler from the Recreation Department.
- ♦ Directed the Civil Service Commission to certify an eligibility list to fill up to six patrol officer positions in the Police Department.
- ♦ Approved a final subdivision (lot consolidation) for the Boyer Homestead, three lots on almost two acres at 5300/5304 Hillside Lane, zoned Residential-Suburban.

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DEMO DAY

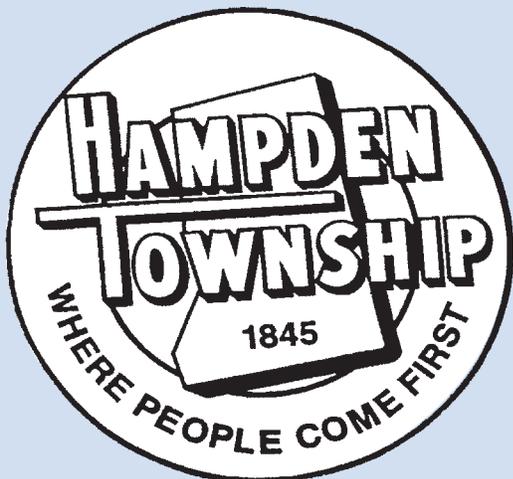
At Armitage Golf Club

Friday, April 2,
from 3-7 p.m.

All companies will be at the course for you to try their newest equipment for the 2010 Season!

(Call the Pro Shop at 737-5344 for more details)

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HAMPDEN TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

230 S. Sporting Hill Road
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050-3097

E-Mail Address: hampden@hampdentownship.us

Office Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday

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Al Bienstock, President
John V. Thomas, Vice-President
Donald R. McCallin, Assistant Secretary
Ken Fetrow
Nathan P. Silcox

Manager/Secretary
Michael H. Gossert

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January 15, March 1, April 15, June 1
July 15, September 1, October 15, December 1

TOWNSHIP STAFF BATTLES RECORD STORMS

It was a week of snowstorms for the ages.

Beginning on Saturday, Feb. 6, and ending on Thursday, Feb. 11, more than 30 inches of snow covered the Township, setting February snowfall records and requiring Township employees to work round-the-clock to keep roads open and residents secure.

The Public Works Department, headed by Steve Campbell, spearheaded the huge effort, assisted by the Police and Fire Departments, Emergency Medical Services and personnel from other Township offices.

Campbell said the Public Works Department had 30 trucks, large and small, working snow removal on approximately 150 miles of roads. "Starting on Feb. 6," he said, "we had at least 50 workers going round the clock through the weekend." From Tuesday, Feb. 9, the crews worked 48 hours straight when the second major storm hit. They were still cleaning up various locations on Feb. 12.



Campbell said the snowfall was so heavy that crews plowed the 150 miles of roads up to four times. "Our guys did a wonderful job," he said, noting that the Township received more compliments than complaints about the snow removal effort.

Besides the snow removal, the Fire Department responded to 28 calls, EMS had a total of 57 calls, 49 of which were medical emergencies, and the Police Department handled

about a dozen vehicle accidents and everything from parking complaints to criminal mischief.

Al Bienstock, President of the Board of Commissioners, said, "it was a yeoman's effort. Our residents should be real proud of the work of all our Township employees. We salute them."

He also praised Township residents for their cooperation, especially in removing cars from streets. "What they did was vital to the snow removal effort and making our streets as safe as possible."

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WEB PAGE



909-7145

Utilities Department

761-4951

Recreation Department

Emergencies – Dial 911

Non-Emergency – 761-2609

Police Department

761-0119

Municipal Building

Mechanicsburg, PA 17050-3097
230 S. Sporting Hill Road



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